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many readers and to himself. We can afford to wait, and so can he, for the final formulation of his social philosophy. His danger is that he might "draw a circle premature."

GEORGE UNWIN.

LONDON.

THEORIE UND PRAXIS IN DER MORAL. Von Dr. Franz Walter, Professor der Moralthologie an der Universität München. Paderborn: Ferdinand Schöningh, 1905. Pp. 122.

This work is an inaugural lecture delivered by the author upon his first appearance as Professor of Moral Theology at Munich. Moral Theology would seem to have no strict equivalent in Protestant places of learning; to judge from the contents of this little book, it would seem to combine certain aspects of Christian Ethics and Pastoral Theology. Since the days of Pascal, the pursuit of moral theology has often been identified by the learned Protestant laity, as for example, by Sir Henry Maine, with casuistical adaptations of too rigid moral demands. Against this danger the author of this work protests both expressly and by the whole spirit of his teaching. While remaining true to the fundamental principles of Catholic philosophy, he urges his audience, which evidently consists mainly of men preparing for the Catholic priesthood, to make itself scientifically acquainted with the economic and social circumstances in which the priest and his flock are compelled to live. He discusses especially the duty of the minister toward the problems of political economy, the education of the young, the artistic tendencies of the time, and the discoveries of modern psychology. As might be expected, no very novel theories are advanced, but the wide knowledge of every phase of German life and thought, the profound learning and firm grasp of philosophic principle make the book as delightful as it is instructive. Those who, regretting the separation between modern thought and the historic church of Western Europe, desire to become acquainted with the best orthodox thought of the time, could do worse than begin with this scholarly and unassuming little book.

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